

# 2006 Rappahannock Regional Soap Box Derby

## The Free Lance-Star Classic

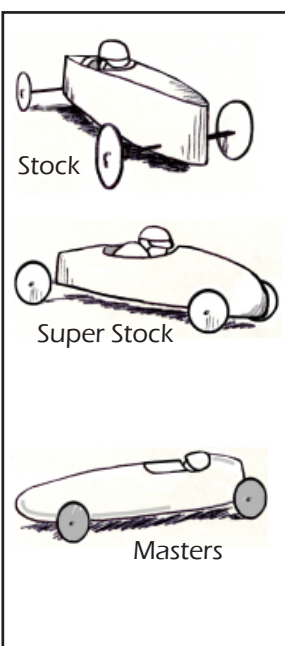
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## Way to GO!

In 2005, the Rappahannock Regional soap Box Derby was the **Largest Local Race in the World for the 3rd year running!** And this year we hope to have an even bigger and better race as we celebrate our 10th year of racing since the event was brought back to Fredericksburg in 1997.

## New Age Limits!



The national headquarters has changed the age limits for drivers this year. There will be three racing divisions in our local race. The **Stock division** will now be for boys and girls, **ages 9 through 13**. The Stock Car has boxy angles and an angled nose. The finished vehicle is not painted, but decorated with vinyl cutouts and lettering.

Boys and girls must now be **at least 10 years old by our race day (June 17)** to race in the **Super Stock**. competitors may be as old as 17 to drive a Super Stock. The Super Stock Car is missile shaped with a smooth, rounded nose. The Super Stock shell may be painted. Both of these beginner levels make use of kits and shells available from the All-American. Z-Glas wheels are purchased separately for all cars.

The **Masters** division ages have not changed, it is still for boys and girls, **ages 10 through 17**. The Masters Car is longer and sleeker than the other Division style cars. Masters entrants can build a laydown or lean-forward style car from scratch or they may purchase a Masters Kit and fiberglass body shell from the All-American.

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Special congratulations to **Alvin Staples the Rappahannock Regional Soap Box Derby Director!!** Last summer at the national race the All-American Soap Box Derby recognized Alvin with the **“Outstanding Achievement by an Individual”** award. This worldwide award is truly a special honor. Congratulations! ■

THANK YOU to our Race Sponsors:

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**SOAP BOX DERBY**

## Registration Deadlines:

**Early Registration:** \$50 fee,  
this form and birth certificate due by  
April 25, 2006

**Late Registration:** \$75 fee,  
this form and birth certificate due by  
May 4, 2006

## Important Dates:

**Car Inspection Dates:**  
Sat. & Sun., June 3 - 4, 2006

**Lane & Heat**  
Monday, June 5, 2006

**Race Day:**  
Saturday, June 17, 2006

**Raindate:**  
Sunday, June 18, 2006

**Akron Race Week:**  
July 16 - 22, 2006

**National Race in Akron,  
Ohio**  
July 22, 2006

## Drivers' Meetings

**Friday, May 12 at 7:00pm at Dorothy Hart Community Center**

This meeting, with a question and answer format, are open to anyone... new drivers, returning drivers and sponsors. It will be especially helpful to new drivers. A lot of information regarding the race, cars and other things you need to know will be presented. We will have demonstrations on how to balance weight in the car with the driver sitting in race position. ■

## Car Clinics

Car Clinics will be held in Sunday, April 9th, Sunday, April 30th and Sunday, May 28th at the Elks Lodge from 1:00 - 4:00pm. Bring your questions and/or your car to these clinics to receive clarification on building specs.

Those drivers who attend car clinics in April will be able to select their Inspection date and time on a first-come, first-served basis. All others who do not attend car clinics will be assigned a time slot for the Inspection. They will be notified of this time slot after the May 12th Drivers' Meeting. ■

## Was your Race Car built before 2000?

If so, you may need a new floorboard. The old particleboard floor board that came in all of the 1997 - 1999 car kits will have to be replaced for Stock and Super Stock models. If your car was in our race last year, then your floor board has already been replaced, so you don't have to worry about it. If you have a question about your floorboard, give a call to Alvin Staples, Race Director, at 786-5930. ■

**If you know of anyone who has an extra car that will not be racing it this year, please give a call to Alvin Staples, Race Director, at 786-5930**



*2005 Masters Division Champion  
Car sponsored by "Girl Power" by  
Doug and Rhonda Smith. Driven by  
Candace Marie Smith.*

## Purchasing a New Car Kit:

New car kits are purchased directly from the All-American Soap Box Derby in Akron, Ohio. Stock Kits are \$407 (white) and \$422 (red or blue). Super Stock kits are \$417. Masters kits are \$524. These prices do NOT include shipping. Z-glass wheels are an additional \$98 plus shipping. Visit [www.aasbd.com](http://www.aasbd.com) for ordering and parts information or call Akron directly at (330) 733-8723. Before you order, make sure the kit can be delivered in time for you and your child to build it before our last clinic and/or inspection days.

These kits will be shipped directly to your home or the address of your choice. The shipping box is approximately the size of the car's shell. You will need a small pick up truck or a minivan to transport the kit and/or the finished car. We will number the car once it is registered. ■



*Race Officials give this car a final inspection.*

## Inspections?

All cars are inspected to ensure they comply with the All-American Soap Box Derby 2006 Rules and Regulations. Your derby car will face final inspection on June 3rd - 4th. Once it passes final inspection, it is impounded until race day.

The three winning cars of our local race will be inspected again after the race to ensure they are in compliance to go to Akron's National Race.

Please be sure to attend the Car Clinics to prepare your derby racer for these important inspections. We want every car to successfully pass inspection and race on June 17th. We are here to answer your questions. ■



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